

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-15 (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) ~~A universal mounting for a vehicle rear view mirror as set forth in Claim 1 in combination with a rear view mirror and/or having a mirror mounting arm attached thereto, said rear view mirror having a reflector and a back, said mounting connected to said back for connecting said rear view mirror to a mirror arm with a cross section shape selected from a polygon or a circle; said mounting having a mirror arm engaging surface which comprises an open recess which has parallel end walls and a base which extends between the end walls; said base is perpendicular to said parallel end walls and having a V-shaped recess in the base, said V-shaped recess having two surfaces which are angled at 120° to each other and extend up to the base; and clamp means provided on said mounting which engage said mirror arm and clamp said mirror arm to the mirror arm engaging surface.~~

17. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 16, where the width of the V-shaped recess is less than the width of the base, such that a flat section of the base remains on each side of the V-shaped recess.

18. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 17, where the mirror arm engaging surface is adapted to engage mirror arms with a substantially circular or multi-sided cross section with a diameter of between substantially 16mm and substantially 28mm.

19. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 16, where the depth of the V-shaped recess is such that when a mirror arm with a substantially circular or multi-sided cross section with a diameter of substantially 28mm is engaged, the mirror arm does not contact the base.

20. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 19, further comprising means for securing the mounting to a rear view mirror and in which the clamping means comprise a cap, the internal dimensions of which are greater than the mounting so that the cap can be placed over the mounting and a pair of fasteners passed through the cap and into sockets provided in the mounting.

21. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 20, where the cap is provided with a mirror arm engaging surface comprising a substantially V or U-shaped recess.

22. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 21, where the recess in the cap is substantially 28 mm wide.

23. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 22, where the V or U-shaped recess in the cap is provided with re-entrant cut-outs to engage the corners of polygonal cross-section arms.

24. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 23, where the arms are of square cross-section.

25. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 16, where the mounting is releasably attachable to said rear view mirror and the clamping means comprise a central fastener which passes through an aperture provided on the mirror arm with which it is to be used and provided in the base of the mounting and through an aperture provided in the back of the rear view mirror, which it is

attached by securing means.

26. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 25, where the fastener is in the form of a bolt which is provided with a socket in its head adapted to receive the secured fastener of an outer clamping member.

27. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 26, where the outer clamping member has a substantially flat mirror arm engaging surface and a hand grip portion.

28. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 27, where the central bolt is provided with a shaped head to allow release by a suitably shaped tool.

29. (New) The rear view mirror of claim 16, where the mounting is secured to the mirror with which said mounting is to be used by a universal joint.